



Lift Lines

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Mountain High Snowsport Club, PO Box 2182, Portland, OR 97208



From the Prez



We've certainly been having plenty of Spring-like days this Winter! Wow! As Emilio said last month.... What's with the weather, and what happened to Winter? The climate changes are definitely affecting what we do as a ski club. Maybe we'll need to change the beginning of ski season to February or March, and ski hard for those couple months. Or.....we could move to the East Coast!

Well, since the weather has turned towards the warmer side, maybe it's time to start thinking about what we want to do this Spring and Summer. Let's get the bicycles tuned up, and the golf clubs out and polished up. Break out your hiking boots, running shoes, tennis gear, and let's make some plans for some fun days in the sun! We will also be doing a highway clean-up, probably sometime in May (since we don't have to wait for the snow to melt).

If you're undecided about what to do in June, you might think about attending the 83rd Annual **Far West Ski Association Convention** in San Diego, California from June 4-7. San Diego is a great place for a vacation, so take a few days, check out the Convention and spend some time in beautiful San Diego. There are lots of fun activities planned for this year's convention.

Emilio is submitting a couple issues of our "Lift Lines" for the club competition. Our website will be judged for its design and content, and Kurt has been busy writing an essay on the club to submit for "Outstanding Club". We'll see what kind of awards we might be able to bring home this year. Along with that, we'll be submitting **Emilio Trampuz** and **Terry Swan's** names as our club's **Man and Woman of the Year**. Congratulations to them both.

Mountain High will assist with partial reimbursements of the FWSA Convention registration fees to those club members who do sign up and attend the Silent Auction, Travel Expo and meetings of this year's convention. And, for every six members who register, Far West will reimburse the club one full registration fee after the event.

Portland Parks & Rec are clamoring for us to make a reservation on-line for our **summer picnic**, which will be in mid-August. With the Plaza side of the club turning 40 this year, and the Edgeset

side being just a couple years older, we thought it might be fun to try to round up some of our former members and have a Big Ol' **Reunion Picnic!** What d'ya think? If you know of former members who are still in the area, or close by, give them a shout out and let them know that we're planning something special this summer.

Note the color code.
Our club is blue.

2015 CALENDAR

Blue: Mountain High events
Red: NWSA / FWSA / Multi-club
Black: General events

MARCH

Mar. 7 (Sat.): Ski the Glade Trail Day
Mar. 8-9: Oregon Cancer ski Out
Mar. 14-21: FWSA Val d'Isere trip
Mar. 15 (Sun): NASTAR race
Mar. 20-22: Crystal Mt. bus trip
Mar. 21-22: Hope on the Slopes
Mar. 22 (Sun): PACRAT race 5 Timberline

APRIL

Apr. 4 (Sat): PACRAT Make-up race
Apr. 17 (Fri.): Rat Attack Awards party
Apr. 18 (Sat.): Season Ender Bender -
Schnee Vogeli club in Govy
Apr. 27 (Mon.): Mt. High Board meeting

MAY

May 16 (Sat.): Highway Cleanup
May 20 (Wed.): Quarterly Social,
party, and elections.

JUNE

June 4 -7: FWSA Convention -San Diego

AUGUST

Aug. 15 (Sat.): Mt. High Picnic
Aug. 27-30: Rafting on the Deschutes

Chocolate Party

February 14, 2015 (Saturday).

We gathered at the home of **Janice Jessen** and **Marv Wakefield** for our annual Chocolate party, usually held around Valentine's Day. As usual, we played a Love themed game, led by **Debbi Kor**. This one involved everyone, paired up in couples, to either hum a given love song or to pantomime it, just like in a game of charades. Everyone else had to try to guess which song that it. Kurt Krueger won that game.

In the chocolate dessert contest, 3 judges proclaimed the following 3 winners:

1. **The most Chocolatey** (most decadent) dessert: **Kurt Krueger** and **Chris Moon**.
2. **The Most Creative** dessert: **Debbi Kor**, with her Chocolate Ravioli.
3. **The Healthiest** dessert (the Lightest): **Joanna Lindberg** with her Tofu Moose.



Debbi Kor introduces the Love Songs game.



Joanna Lindberg examines her prize.

Pizza Party

February 26, 2015 (Thursday).

One of our quarterly social events. This pizza party was held at the Round Table Pizza on Barbur Blvd. (near Capitol Highway).

Bruce Kuper showed a video about PACRAT racing. **Emilio** showed a short video about the club in general and what we've been doing lately. **Debbi Kor** distributed some door prizes. Several announcements were made. And the pizza was delicious, of course. We even got a couple of new members.



Bruce Kuper setting up the PACRAT video.



Debbi Kor distributing several door prizes



Newcomer Tina Zhong says hello, while Bill King fills out his membership form

See more photos at www.mthigh.org/Photos.htm.

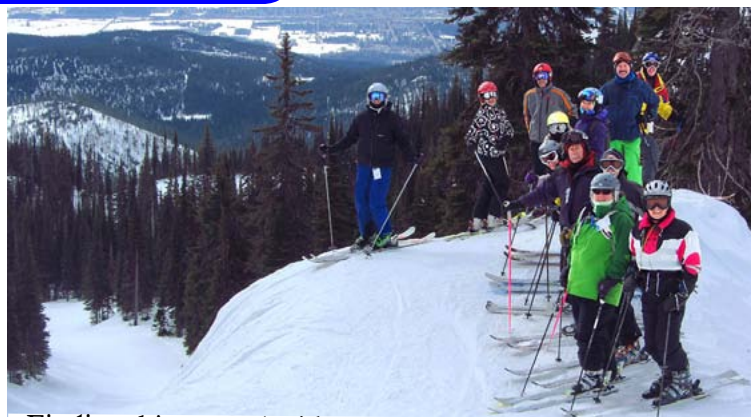
Whitefish Mountain trip

February 28 - March 6, 2015.

33 people participated in this trip., and 2 more people met us there and skied with us. Everyone had a good time! We took an overnight train from Portland to Whitefish, arriving there around 7:35 am. Just enough time to ride the shuttle to the mountain, check into our condos, and go skiing!

Montana had the best snow this winter. Whitefish even had better snow than Fernie (British Columbia). We had 4 sunny days and some snow flurries (maybe a half inch) on one of the days.

This trip had many options. People could get a 3, 4, or 5 day pass at Whitefish Mountain (formerly known as Big Mountain). Some people went **cross-country** skiing on one of the days. About 20 people went on a **day trip to Fernie** in Canada. Three people had signed up for a day of **snowcat skiing**, which got cancelled because the ungroomed snow was too icy, so they got a voucher for another visit in the future.



Finding this mound with a view was one of the challenges



We all found Jesus! And thanked him for the snow!

Photo: Alex Smith



Walt skis "The Chute"

Photo: Alex Smith



George attacks steep moguls

Photo: Sandra Smith



See more photos at www.mthigh.org/Photos.htm.

Oregon Cancer Ski Out

March 8 - 9, 2015 (Sunday-Monday).

This was the 27th year of this annual fund raiser for cancer. It raised \$45,000. Our members **Terry and Brenda Becerra** participated and donated, and their team raised around \$1,000.

This is a race where consistency is more important than speed. People are encouraged to dress funny for the event.



Reach the Beach

May 16, 2015 (Saturday).

Terry and Brenda Becerra's next fundraising effort will be for the **American Lung Association of Oregon** at their 25th anniversary of the Reach the Beach bicycle event on May 16th. Terry and Brenda have participated most years since 1999 and have recruited several others to join them over the years.



Brenda says: "We'll be riding our bikes 55 miles from Amity to Pacific City, Oregon (a beautiful ride!) with quite the group of friends to remember and celebrate the life of our good friend, Linda, who lost her battle with lung cancer two years ago this August (which also claimed the lives of my mother and aunt). Our team name is **Linda's Lazy Dazy**. If you would like to support our fundraising efforts, go to www.reach-thebeach.org and look up either Terry or Brenda's names, or our team name. It's quick and easy and tax deductible for a great cause."

Ski To Defeat ALS

April 11, 2015 (Saturday). - Third annual event.

Over \$60,000 was raised to benefit the ALS Association. ALS is known as Lou Gehrig's disease. It is the disease to which **Fred Noble** succumbed.

The event took place at Mt. Hood Meadows. People from several Northwest ski clubs participated on the "No White Flags" team, including **Sheri Parshall**, **Sylvia Kearns**, and **Ben Jacklet** (of Shred Hood). They won the "Spirit Award" and 3rd place fundraising.



King Winter

February 21 (Saturday)

The Skiyente Ski Club held its annual King Winter party at Charlie's Mountain View Pub in Government Camp to celebrate the crowning of King Winter 2015!

This year's King Winter is **Henry Bendinelli**, founder of the Mt. Hood Ski Kats Club.



Sandra Kaufman, Henry Bendinelli, Martha Caldwell

PACRAT News

Pacific NW Area Clubs Recreational Alpine Teams

Despite a very bad snow year in which Mt. Hood Skibowl lost all its snow and many other ski areas struggled, and some races had to be cancelled, our PACRAT racers managed to make up for it and managed to hold all 5 races.

Race 4 at Timberline was held in foggy weather, but that didn't slow down our intrepid racers. Bruce Kuper even managed to get some decent photos in that fog.



Photo: Bruce Kuper

See more photos and videos from various PACRAT races on our club's web site's PHOTOS page at: http://www.mthigh.org/Photos.htm#PACRAT_Racing

Also, check out PACRAT's Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/PACRATRacing>

If you want to join one of our 10-person race teams next winter, contact any of our team captains, or if you are not sure which team to join, contact our Racing Director, **Bruce Kuper**, at bruku@comcast.net.



Photo: Bruce Kuper

Mt. High Team captains

Team name	Team captain	Email address
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Chilled Brewskis	Brenda Becerra	LetsPlayOnTheMt@hotmail.com
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Lab Rats	Lonny Schiller	landkschiller@gmail.com
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Moose on the Loose	Jack Folliard	jfolliard@comcast.net
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Schussing Shysters	McCoy Smith	McCoySmith@comcast.net
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Rat Attack - Awards Party

April 17, 2015. (Friday). 6:00 pm. Cocktails at 6:00 Appetizers at 6:30. No-Host bar. Buffet Dinner served at 7:00. This year's theme: "Pineapple Express". Dress in Hawaiian/tropical style.

Location: Stockpot Restaurant at the Red Tail Golf Course, 8200 SW Scholls Ferry Rd., Beaverton, OR 97008. Final race results will be revealed!

After dinner, Coach Greg & Co. will be handing out awards, including team winners, King and Queen Rat, and more. Then, "**Thrillride**", a live band will play.

Let your team captain know if you are coming.

MOUNTAIN HIGH

Upcoming events

SNOWSPORT CLUB

Mt. High

Highway Cleanup

May 16 (Sat.). It's time for our Spring Cleaning of the 2 miles of Highway 26 we've adopted.

We'll meet at **10 am** in Skibowl's parking lot, and spend about 2 hours removing stuff people throw out along the highway. Let's see who will find the most interesting object! Bring some gloves. We will provide garbage bags and garbage pickers.

At **noon**, lunch will be provided for all who participate in the cleanup. We'll gather at the Ice Axe brew pub in Government Camp.

Please RSVP by contacting **Debbi Kor**, 503-314-7078 or ijustwannarun1@comcast.net



World Naked Bike Ride



June 27 (Saturday). 9 pm start. Cost: Free.

Meet at: Normandale Park,
(NE 57th & Halsey)



Description: This is an annual event that attracted over 8,000 people last year. It highlights the vulnerability of cyclists everywhere and decries society's dependence on pollution-based transport. It's also a lot of fun and it's free for all!

There will be uniformed security guards, and police will block the needed street intersections. You don't have to be totally naked. Wear a swim suit, or even a weird costume! Route details yet to be announced.

More details at: <http://pdxwnbr.org/> Also see: http://wiki.worldnakedbikeride.org/index.php?title=Portland#Next_ride

Mt. High

Quarterly Social & Club elections

DATE: Wednesday, May 20.

TIME: 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

PLACE: Famous Dave's

7121 SW Nyberg St.
Tualatin, OR 97062

The club will provide food and members will be responsible for their own beverages. Everybody is invited!

This is an opportunity to socialize, get to know other club members, review the past winter season, and plan the next season.

ELECTIONS: We will also hold our annual club elections for President, Vice-president, Secretary and Treasurer. The current 4 people in these positions are probably ready to continue for another year, but we can always use some fresh energy, some new people.



If you wish to get more involved with the club, please volunteer or self-nominate yourself for any of the Board positions. Contact any of our current club leaders (see list on page 13), or send an email to info@mthigh.org.

The best way to start getting involved is by attending our monthly Board meetings, open to everyone. See how the club works and how you can help.

CONTACT: Debbi Kor, 503-314-7078, ijustwannarun1@comcast.net

Season Ender Bender



April 18 (Sat.) 7 pm.
The Schnee Vogeli Ski Club ("Snow Birds") invites us all to come celebrate the end of the season at The Ratskeller in Government Camp.

Live music by "Cadillacs For Everyone".

Tickets: \$15 available from any Schnee Vogeli member. Email: SeasonEnder@SchneeVogeli.com, or contact **Gordon Lusk** at rivergordy@gmail or 503-804-8363.

Marsha Cosgrove



Marsha Cosgrove passed away on April 2nd, 2015, at the hospital, due to liver and kidney failure.

She touched the lives of many over the years from EdgeSet to Plaza to Mountain High ski clubs. This photo is from our 2011 Seafood party.

A celebration of life will be announced in a few weeks.

Northwest Ski Club Council
Ski Challenge
2014 - 2015

Qualify for a prize: ski or snowboard in a single season at least 7 ski areas shown here: in Alaska, British Columbia, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Oregon, Montana, Washington, and Wyoming. Just save your lift tickets and/or receipts.

Alaska
Aurora SkiLand
Moose Mt.
Arctic Valley
Hill Top
Mt. Alyeska
Mt. Eyak
Eaglescrest

Hawaii
Mauna Kea

Also included:

CALIFORNIA
Mammoth Mt.

COLORADO
Aspen/Snowmass

IDAHO
Brundage Mt.
Schweitzer Mt.
Sun Valley

MONTANA
Whitefish Mt.

WYOMING
Grand Targhee
Jackson Hole

BRITISH COLUMBIA
Big White
Sun Peaks
Whitewater
Kicking Horse
Fernie
Kimberley
Nakiska

Washington
Mt. Baker
North Cascade Heli-Skiing
Hurricane Ridge
Stevens Pass
Cascade Powder Cats
Leavenworth Ski Hill
Mission Ridge
Summit at Snoqualmie
Crystal Mountain
White Pass
Ski Bluewood

Oregon
Mt. Ashland
Warner Canyon
Timberline
Mt. Hood Meadows
Mt. Hood Ski Bowl
Hoodoo
Mt. Bachelor
Willamette Pass
Cooper Spur
Spout Springs
Anthony Lakes

Entry Form and Rules are posted on the NWSCC website at www.nwskiers.org

Ski Challenge

The NW Ski Club Council wants to encourage you to see and ski more places, ... and don't forget the small ones!

Ski or ride any 7 or more resorts during the 2014-2015 ski season to be eligible to win a prize. Just save your lift tickets or receipts, and mail them in at the end of the season.

Ski areas that count are all those in **Oregon, Washington, Alaska, Hawaii**, as well as several in **British Columbia** (Big White, Sun Peaks, Whitewater, Kicking Horse, Fernie, Kimberley and Nakiska), one in **California** (Mammoth Mt.), **Colorado** (Aspen/Snowmass), 3 in **Idaho** (Brundage Mt., Schweitzer Mt., and Sun Valley), and 2 in **Wyoming** (Grand Targhee, Jackson Hole).

Save your lift tickets or receipts! Then, at the end of the season, mail them to the Northwest Ski Club Council, Ski Challenge, 5331 SW Macadam Avenue, Suite 258, Box 438, Portland, OR 97239.

Winners will be announced at the start of the following winter season, most likely in December.

Mt. High Picnic

August 15, 2015. (Sat.)

Our annual picnic in **Sellwood Park** will celebrate 40 years of Plaza, 40+ of Edgeset, and 15 years of the combined Mountain High club. A club reunion! The picnic will be preceded by an easy bike ride.

9:30 am Bike ride (meet at the lower parking lot);
11:30 am Picnic starts. 12:00 noon Food served.

See more at: www.mthigh.org/index.htm#Picnic
Contact **Debbi Kor**, ijustwannarun1@comcast.net



Mt. High Cookbook



Many years ago, the Plaza ski club (one of our parent clubs that in 2000 merged with the Edgeset Club to eventually be renamed Mountain High) published a cookbook that contained contributions from many of our club members. The cover of that cookbook is shown here.

Let's do it again!

Let's gather a bunch of recipes, including maybe some of those for the winning chocolate desserts in recent years. And maybe also a recipe for the salmon and other seafood presented at our Seafood parties.

Any other recipes from our club members are welcome! Please send your contributions to Debbi Kor, ijustwannarun1@comcast.net

Mt. High

Deschutes River Raft Weekend



Aug 27-30, 2015. Our annual tradition is back for your fun and enjoyment! A weekend of rafting and frolicking in the sun on the Deschutes River at Maupin, Oregon.

Contact: Allan Paraskeva at 503-201-1243 or alnbeth@gmail.com
or: Nancy Pratt at 503-593-9427 or Treasurer@mthigh.org

Reservation & payment deadline: August 1st.

Camping: Thursday, Friday and Saturday night in Maupin City Park. Camp sites at new location (see next page). RV space available for an additional \$25 a night. Kids (8-20) are welcome and are the respon-

sibility of the parent at a cost of \$50.

Rafting: (Row, Paddle or just ride) Friday and Saturday. We'll provide the rafts. On Friday, we'll assemble at Maupin City Park and then raft 18 miles from Harpham Flat to Sandy Beach. On Saturday, we'll start from the mid-point and raft downstream in the morning, and then do the upper half in the afternoon (to avoid the crowd).

Food: Saturday night dinner will be provided. (It's TBD, but may include BBQ Ribs, Chicken and baked beans, coleslaw and potato salad....AKA "Standard Camp Dining.") For other meals (breakfasts, lunches, Friday dinner), bring your own food and drinks, or plan to dine in any of Maupin's fine dining establishments. Also, bring quarters for the showers!

Camp, raft, dinner = \$100.00 pp, (Non-members \$115.00)

RV space is available for an additional \$25 per day. or \$75 total.

To sign up, use the Dough Transmittal form, page 13, or print the form from our web site. See the [Forms](#) page at: <http://www.mthigh.org/Forms.htm>.

Far West Convention



June 4 - 7, 2015. The annual Far West Ski Association Convention is coming up June 4 – 7 (Thursday – Sunday), at the Town and Country Resort & Convention Center, 500 Hotel Circle North, San Diego, CA 92108, 800-772-8527. The San Diego Council of Ski Clubs is hosting it. Members of all ski clubs in the West are invited to come and participate.

What Happens at a Far West Convention?

Events include a silent auction on Friday Night, and the Travel Expo (where delegates meet one-on-one with resort personnel to plan future trips) on Saturday morning. Attend educational leadership panel sessions such as Improving Social Media savvy and the latest equipment, meet and greet with ski personalities like Billy Kidd and Jess McMillan, and attend the awards banquet and dance on Saturday night. There will be a business meeting on Sunday, at which time officers are elected,

and other Association business takes place, as well as a sponsored Brunch, and LOTS of door prizes to be given away. All of these events (and meals!) are included in your registration fee.

Also available (for an additional fee) are optional events such as the Michael German Memorial Golf Tournament, an Old Town Trolley tour, the San Diego Harbor Seal tour, a Sunset Dine Out aboard the USS Midway, La Jolla Cave Kayaking, Mission Bay Biking, and a visit to the San Diego Zoo.

How do I Register?

It's so easy! You can (1) sign up with your club president/delegate chairperson (Debbi Kor), (2) complete the forms, write a check, and mail to the FWSA Convention Registrar (Karen James), or (3) sign up online at <http://www.fwsa.org/Conventions/FW-2015Conv/Registration/FW-2015Conv-registration.html> and pay with PayPal. The registration form on the FWSA web site is at: [www.fwsa.org/Conventions/FW-2015Conv/ConventionPkg/docs/4-Delegate-Registration-Form 2015.pdf](http://www.fwsa.org/Conventions/FW-2015Conv/ConventionPkg/docs/4-Delegate-Registration-Form%2015.pdf) . That's all there is to it! You're in!

Now make your hotel reservations, and you'll be golden! Be sure to tell your club delegate chairperson if you sign up directly so that you'll be included on the Credentials Form as a Voting Delegate! Mountain High club members should contact **Debbi Kor** at: 503-314-7078, ijustwannarun1@comcast.net. She will coordinate all our delegates.

How do WE and our CLUB benefit?

Mountain High Board of Directors has voted to reimburse club members who attend the convention as full voting delegates up to \$600 to be divided among the registered attendees. In addition, there are other incentives that will come directly back to Mountain High. These include:

Far West is offering the 6-pack incentive again this year. This offer provides 1 free registration (\$159) with every 6 paid. The reimbursement comes AFTER the convention. So, if we send 6, we'd get back \$159. If we send 12, we'd get back \$308. If we get enough delegates from our club, the club would receive this reimbursement, and the Board would decide how best to use it: split it up among the delegates, or use for a future club event.

More questions? Contact: **Debbi Kor**, Delegate Chairperson, 503-314-7078, ijustwannarun1@comcast.net

NOTE: The Far West Convention is hosted by a different ski club council each year. Last year (2014), it was held in Oregon, and it will come back to Oregon in another 5 or 6 years. Other typical locations are: San Diego (CA), Los Angeles (CA), Reno (NW), Phoenix (AZ), and the San Francisco Bay Area.

"The Voice of the Western Skier"



Powder Alliance

How would you like to ski at 13 ski areas for the price of one?

This is now possible, thanks to the alliance forged between 13 ski areas in the western USA. The deal is that anyone with a season pass from any of these ski areas receives not only unlimited skiing at their home ski area but also 3 free lift tickets at each of the other ski areas.

The Powder Alliance consists of the following 13 ski areas:

Timberline (OR), Mt. Hood Skibowl (OR), Silver Star (BC), Schweitzer Mt. (ID), Bridger Bowl (MT), Stevens Pass (WA), Sierra-at-Tahoe (CA), China Peak (CA), Mountain High (CA), Snowbasin (UT), Snowbowl (AZ), Crested Butte (CO), and Angel Fire (NM). See more info at: <http://www.powderalliance.com/>.

In effect, you get 13 resorts, 135 lifts, 934 trails, and 29,282 vertical feet. All for the price of one season pass! There is no additional charge for the Powder Alliance deal. Just get a season pass (a Fusion Pass for Oregonians).



How it works for Oregonians



For Oregonians to make use of the Powder Alliance deal they have to purchase the **Fusion Pass**, which by

itself gives you unlimited skiing at both Timberline and Skibowl.

In addition, we will now also get **30 free lift tickets** to the other 10 ski areas (3 lift tickets to each one of them). The only restriction to the other ski areas is that you cannot use this deal on **Saturdays** or **holidays**. Those are the only blackout days.

Adults under 65 will pay \$499 for this pass.

Adults over 65 can purchase the pass for just \$249.

Those over 71 get free skiing at Timberline, but not necessarily at all the other ski areas. Skibowl charges about \$50 for a season pass, and so do many other ski areas, so you might still consider purchasing the Fusion Pass to enjoy the Powder Alliance deal.

Those planning to join us on our Mountain High Silver Star trip this coming winter will be able to ski free at Silver Star in January 2016.

NOTE: If you buy a new Subaru, the Fusion Pass you get with it doesn't qualify for the Powder Alliance

Why This is Important

In the Fall, we will publish a comparison chart of all season passes, as we have done in the last few years. But there is a reason we want to talk about the **Fusion Pass/Powder Alliance** deal right now.

We'll be organizing a trip to **Silver Star** next winter, the latest addition to the Powder Alliance. Everyone is welcome to sign up for this trip, but those who purchase a Fusion Pass (for Timberline and Skibowl) for next season will be able to ski for free during those 3 days at Silver Star. In other words, your trip will be much cheaper. You will be able to save approximately \$180 - \$200, just on this one trip alone.

We wanted to give you plenty of time to think about it and decide which season pass to buy.

We did a similar Powder Alliance based trip to Schweitzer Mountain (Idaho) the winter before last. On that trip, only about half of the participants had the Fusion Pass. One of the reasons is that we didn't announce the trip until about September, and by that time, some people had already purchased the Mt. Hood Meadows season pass, and they couldn't afford to buy both passes.

Unfortunately, Mt. Hood Meadows is not part of the Powder Alliance. So, if you'd like a cheaper trip to Silver Star, chose your pass wisely.

Silver Star**Powder Alliance****Silver Star / Sun Peaks trip**

Last week of January 2016 (tentative date).

Silver Star has a mellow front side and a couple of really long cruisers on the back side, but it is famous for its steep and challenging powder runs on the back

side. Tree skiing. Powder. Best of all, a ski-in/ski-out village located not at the bottom but in the middle of the mountain. The village has a wild-west town theme in pastel colors! It is the locals' favorite mountain. And it is part of the Powder Alliance, which means that anyone with a Fusion Pass can ski there for 3 days for free!

Sun Peaks is just 2.5 hours away. Once in Canada, might as well see and ski a bit more of it. Sun Peaks has a European village themed ski-in/ski-out village, with a pedestrian street lined with boutique stores and cafes. There are 3 separate peaks to ski: Mt. Tod, Sundance, and Mt. Morrissey. Lots of hidden nooks and crannies.

This will be a bus trip. We'll spend 3 days at Silver Star, and then an additional 2 or 3 days at Sun Peaks. It will be an inexpensive trip, thanks to the Powder Alliance deal.

Sun Peaks**Discovery****Montana trip**
Discovery / Lost Trail

Last week in February 2016 (tentative date). Something unique!

Kurt Krueger and Emilio Trampuz did some scouting in February 2015 and discovered a couple of hidden gems in south-west Montana. We want to take you there.

Lost Trail

Discovery ski area. This was quite a find! In a winter that was probably the worst on record, we got at least 4 inches of wonderful fresh powder here on top of a very good base. You want challenge? You'll find it here. Over a dozen double-black never groomed named runs in the back bowls! This is like skiing in the Chugach mountains, but without the need for a helicopter! Even the blue cruisers seem very long, with a consistent pitch.

Discovery offers 2,400 vertical feet, 2,200 acres, served by 5 triples and 2 double chairs. Beginners and lower intermediates have their own hill. The best feature is: no crowds!

Lost Trail Powder Mountain. A great place, featured in a recent Warren Miller movie. Lots of powder, and no crowds. This place is open only Thursdays thru Sundays. Any snow that falls in the first half of the week will be untouched on Thursday. We will time our trip to arrive there on Thursday!

Lost Trail is located on the border between Montana and Idaho, and you can ski both sides. Yes, just like Look-out Pass, only bigger! It offers 1,800 vertical feet, served by 5 double chairlifts. The Montana side has several double-black runs. Best feature: No crowds, and an enormous field of perfectly spaced thin trees, where you can leave an unlimited number of fresh tracks while doing slalom laps through the trees.

This will be a bus trip. A total of 5 days skiing and 6 nights. Probably 2 days in Philipsburg (Discovery ski area), and 2 days/3 nights in Hamilton (near the Lost Trail ski area). Bonus: we'll also hit the Montana Snowbowl, near Missoula, one day.

This will be a very unique trip. Experience the pristine side of Montana! Don't miss this one!



Mountain High club resources

Make the most of your club membership. Use at least some of the many resources available.

Ski Areas info. Over 160 western ski areas are just a click away on our "Ski Areas" web page: www.mthigh.org/SkiAreas.htm

Forums: Connect with other club members. Ask questions. Arrange to meet for a day on the slopes. Share your thoughts. On our web site,

in the main menu, we have 2 Forums, one for all club members, and one for mid-week skiers.

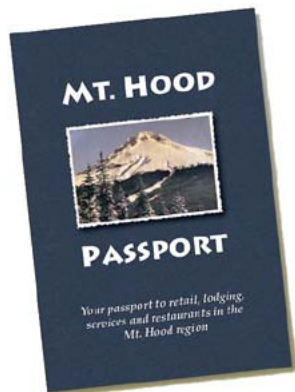
Facebook: Post something on our Facebook page, at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1528330064067232/>

Bulletin Board: Post an announcement. Have something to sell or to offer to our club members? Go to our Bulletin Board and read the instructions at the top about how to post stuff there. www.mthigh.org/BulletinBoard.htm.

Articles: Our ARTICLES web page is a repository of useful information on a variety of topics, sorted into categories such as: Safety, Racing, Travel, Ski Areas, Local Lore & Local Issues, Equipment, Technology, and Humor.

All of the above is just a small sample. There is much more. Check out our Racing pages, our Awards, Blogs, Photos, Videos, and our Vision of the future of skiing. It's all at www.mthigh.org.

Mt. Hood Passports



The passport is now on sale for \$5 (half price). You get over \$300 in discounts. Visit local businesses on Mt. Hood, use of their special offers and get your passport stamped.

Prior to PACRAT's Rat Attack April 17, 2015, return your stamped passport back to **Barb Pressentin** or any board member of PACRAT/NWSCC for a prize drawing.

Passports are valid till December 2015, when there will be another prize drawing.

Purchase your passport at local businesses or from **Barb**: 503-267-9522 email: BP2Ski@Gmail.com. She can mail it to you.

Facebook Page



We now have a **Facebook** page. Thanks to **Bruce Kuper** for setting it up.

This will be one more way for our members to communicate with each other, in addition to emails, our web site, Bulletin Board, and our two Forums (which are Google Groups).

Check out the Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1528330064067232/>

Actually, you don't even need this long link. Instead, just click on the Facebook button in our main menu at www.mthigh.org.

Join this Facebook group and post your thoughts and your photos there!

Web Site Tips for mthigh.org



How to get back to the top of a long page.

Hit the "**Home**" key on your keyboard. It will take you to the top of the page. This is so much faster than scrolling back up until you reach the top of the page.

How to go back to the previous page. Most browsers have a back-arrow (pointing to the left) to go back to the previous page. But, you can do the same by hitting the **Backspace** key on your keyboard.



Home



How to get back to the Home page, www.mthigh.org. There are two ways:

1. Click on the "**Home**" button on the menu. Or, ...
2. Click on the **Mountain High logo** at the top of the page. That will have the same effect. It will take you to our Home page, that is: our Calendar of Events.

MOUNTAIN HIGH**Contacts / Club info****SNOWSPORT CLUB****Man & Woman of the Year**

Our club's Man and Woman of the Year for 2015 are: **Emilio Trampuz** and **Terry Swan**.

Send in your nominations for 2016 to any member of our Board by the end of February.

**Mountain High Meeting**

Usually last Monday

April 27 (Mon.): Open to all who want to get more involved with the club.

Gather at **6:00 pm**. Start at **6:30 pm**.

Location: Round Table Pizza, 10070 SW Barbur Blvd. (near Capitol Hwy.)

Mountain High snowsport club contacts:

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DOUGH TRANSMITTAL FORM

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PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY: ☐ New membership or ☐ Renewal

Name(s): _____ Birthday (MM/DD) _____

Address: _____

Phone (Hm): _____ Phone (Wk): _____

Email (Hm): _____ Email (Wk): _____

Email Preferences: - Newsletter (once a month): ☐ yes, link only ☐ yes, complete file ☐ no
☐ No changes - Club news & events (between newsletters): ☐ yes ☐ no
 (same as last year) - Other ski news (NWSCC, FWSA, ski areas, trips...): ☐ yes ☐ no
 - Is it OK to share your email address with other club members? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please take my money, and apply it toward the following Ski Club fun stuff:

- ☐ **Annual Membership** (Oct. 1, 2014 - Sept. 2015): Single (\$25); couple (\$40)
☐ **PACRAT Racing (2015)** \$99 for the whole season . Team: _____
☐ **Rafting on the Deschutes** (Aug. 27-30). Members: \$100, Non-members: \$115
☐ **RV parking for Rafting trip** (Aug. 27-30). \$25 per day, \$75 total
☐ **Other:** _____

Comments (For whom you are paying. Roommate requests,...): _____

Signature(s): _____

Date: _____

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Date: _____

See our Trips cancellation policy on our web site: <http://www.mthigh.org/Documents/Trip-Cancellation-Policy.pdf>

By joining the Mountain High Snowsport Club, I acknowledge that I am responsible for my own safety and conduct. I hereby agree to be bound by all Mountain High Snowsport Club bylaws and regulations, including the Trip Cancellation Policy. I hereby release Mountain High Snowsport Club, and any of their agents (officers, directors, trip captains, and any other Club representatives) from liability for personal injury, property damage, or any other liability of any kind connected with my participation in any club-related activity. Furthermore, I agree to indemnify and hold the Club and any of their agents harmless from any and all liabilities of any kind which may be incurred or asserted against the Club or any of their agents in any way relating to my negligence or willful misconduct connected with my participation in the club's activities.

Club membership = 303 Newsletter Distribution

The March-April 2015 issue is posted on our web site. Also:
276 copies sent via email (as PDF files)
18 paper printed copies sent via US Mail.
 Copies are also sent to potential members, other clubs,
 the National Ski Club Newsletter, etc.

Count Your Ski Areas

Set up your own counter of ski areas visited. Use a modified form of John and Jewel's spreadsheet with 3 added columns, for up to 3 more people. Make one of these your own. Enter a "1" for every ski area visited. See: <http://www.mthigh.org/Documents/North-American-Ski-Areas-2014-5-25.xls>

FWSA Diving Trip to Bonaire

Sept. 26 - Oct. 3, 2015

Diver Package Price: \$1115. Non-Diver Package: \$836.
 Single Supp. Add - \$372.00. Price includes:

- 7 nights at Plaza Beach Resort Bonaire in a Jr. Laguna Suite – based on Double Occupancy
- All meals daily & all drinks daily including alcohol
- Use of paddle boards, kayaks & catamarans
- 6 days of 2 tank boat dives & unlimited shore diving
- Unlimited Nitrox (32% for certified nitrox divers)
- Free WiFi
- Airport Transfers
- Bonaire Marine Park fee of \$25.00

Contact: Randy Lew, FWSA Dive Trip Leader, 7007 SW Iron Horse St., Wilsonville, OR 97070.

Cell: 530/304-0802 e-mail: FWSA13Randy@telis.org

Info: <http://www.fwsa.org/Travel/Dive/dive.html>

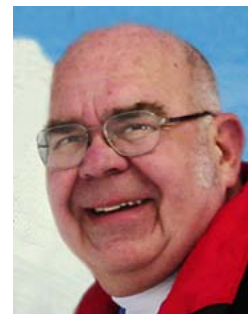
NWSCC Man & Woman of the Year

This year, our Mt. High Board chose to honor **Emilio Trampuz** and **Terry Swan** as our club's Man and Woman of the Year. Many other local clubs also submitted their choices to the NW Ski Club Council.

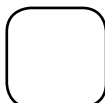
The NWSCC chose the following two among all the candidates. These are this year's NWSCC's Man and Woman of the Year:



Mary Olhausen
NWSCC Past President



Lloyd Musser
Curator, Mt. Hood Museum



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